

**NON-PROVISIONAL  
UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION  
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Transmitted herewith for filing is the non-provisional utility patent application entitled:

**FUEL CELL**

which is:

an ☒ Original; or

a ☐ Continuation, ☐ Divisional, or ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP)  
of prior Application No. \_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_.

Anticipated Group/Art Unit: \_\_\_\_ or Class \_\_\_\_, Subclass \_\_\_\_.

☐ This non-provisional patent application is based on Provisional Patent Application No. \_\_\_\_ filed \_\_\_\_.

Enclosed are:

- ☒ Specification (including Abstract) and claims: 46 pages.
- ☒ 5 sheets of drawings (formal).
- ☐ Application Data Sheet.
- ☒ Newly unexecuted Declaration (copy).
- ☐ Copy of Declaration from prior application.
- ☐ Separate Power of Attorney (including 37 CFR 3.73(b) statement, if applicable).
- ☐ Microfiche computer program (Appendix).
- ☐ Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission, including:
  - ☐ Computer readable copy ☐ Paper Copy ☐ Verified Statement.
- ☐ Under PTO-1595 Cover Sheet, an assignment of the invention
- ☒ Name of Assignee: Matsushita Electric Industrial Co., Ltd.
- ☒ Certified copy of Japanese Application No. 2002-230538 filed August 7, 2002 is filed: ☒ herewith or ☐ in prior application \_\_\_\_.
- ☐ Applicant(s), by its/their undersigned attorney, claim(s) Small Entity Status under 37 C.F.R. §1.27 as ☐ an Independent Inventor, or ☐ a Small Business Concern, or ☐ a Non-Profit Organization.
- ☐ Preliminary Amendment.
- ☐ Information Disclosure Statement, PTO/SB/08A, and cited references.
- ☐ Request for Nonpublication of Application Under 35 U.S.C. §122(b)
- ☐ Other:



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